

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/684,263 Confirmation No. 1740
Applicant : Craig Beilinson, et al.
Filed : 10/12/2003
Title : EXTENSIBLE CREATION AND EDITING OF INTEGRATED
COLLECTIONS
Group Art Unit : 2168
Examiner : Cheyne D. Ly
Docket No. : 304631.01/MFCP.141179
Customer No. : 45809

VIA EFS – January 12, 2010

Mail Stop IDS
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

IDS SUBMISSION

This correspondence is being submitted on this date with fifteen (15) Information Disclosure Statement forms pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97. Fifteen (15) IDS forms are being submitted simultaneously because one single form did not provide sufficient itemization, i.e., numbering, to list all of references. However, it is Applicants' intention that all fifteen (15) IDS forms be considered together for purposes of calculating any appropriate fee.

Applicants also note that the fifteen (15) IDS forms are being submitted in six (6) separate EFS submissions, e.g., ten (10) IDS forms are being submitted in a first submission with EFS ID No. 6779358, one (1) IDS form in a second submission with EFS ID No. 6788829, one (1) IDS form in a third submission with EFS ID No. 6791624, one (1) IDS form in a fourth submission with EFS ID No. 6791919, one (1) IDS form in a fifth submission with EFS ID No. 6793547, and one (1) IDS form in a sixth submission with EFS IDS No. 6794695 (all on this same date). Separate EFS submissions are required because all of the attached references could not be submitted in one single EFS submission.

Foreign Patent Documents

One of the IDS forms includes a series of foreign patent documents that are itemized 1-23 under the “Foreign Patent Documents” heading. For each of the non-English foreign patent documents and publications, a copy of the non-English language reference is provided, in addition to a copy of an English-language abstract.

Non-patent Literature Documents

One of the IDS forms also discloses a series of documents (items 1-50) under the section titled “Non-Patent Literature Documents.” With respect to each of items 1-50 a copy of the document is submitted herewith. Items 9, 22, 29, and 35 include non-English language information. These references were presented by the Japanese Patent Office in an Official Notice of Final Rejection of another application that might be associated with the present application by subject matter but having claims directed to alternative inventions. The Official Notice of Final Rejection described each of the references as listed below. No translation of the references is available, nor do we have knowledge of their further relevance beyond that stated in the Official Notice.

The Sugasawa Reference, the Halvorson Reference, and the Russionovich Reference are described by the Official Notice to disclose a window displaying items including files and a window displaying properties (corresponding to metadata of the present application) regarding the items including the files; and an edit control permitting modification of a portion of the properties displayed in the window.

The Sekiguchi Reference is described by the Official Notice to disclose displaying properties of one of the files, properties of all of the folders, and properties of selected ones of the files in displaying the properties of the files.

Two (2) of the IDS forms disclose a series of documents: the first includes items 1-50 and the other includes items 1-38 under the sections titled “Non-Patent Literature Documents.” With respect to each item in these sections, a copy of the document is submitted herewith. Items 50 in the first IDS form and items 22-23 and 37 include non-English language information. These references were presented by the Japanese Patent Office in an Official Notice of Final Rejection of another application that might be associated with the present application by subject matter but having claims directed to alternative inventions. The Official Notice of Final Rejection described each of the references as listed below. No translation of the references is available, nor do we have knowledge of their further relevance beyond that stated in the Official Notice.

The Domoto reference: The Official Notice stated that this reference “discloses using a search result as a virtual folder. However, [this reference does] not disclose or suggest editing metadata or each file (item) by manipulating a virtual folder....”

The Tanaka reference: The Official Notice stated that page 105 and FIGS. 1-4 of this reference “discloses changing the property of a folder whereby a file in the folder has the compression property set to the folder.”

The Takane and Nishimasa references: The Official Notice stated that these references “disclose that when an access right is set to the property of a folder, this setting applies to a file, etc. in the folder.”

Respectfully submitted,

/ELENA K. McFARLAND/

Elena K. McFarland
Reg. No. 59,320

SHOOK, HARDY & BACON L.L.P.
2555 Grand Blvd.
Kansas City, MO 64108-2613
816-474-6550